

BOOK NOTICES

Flora of North America (Asteraceae)

FLORA OF NORTH AMERICA EDITORIAL COMMITTEE (Eds.) 2006. **Flora of North America North of Mexico. Vol. 19. Magnoliophyta: Asteridae, part 6: Asteraceae, part 1.** (ISBN 0-19-530563-9; 978-0-19-530563-0, hbk.). Oxford Univ. Press, 198 Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10016, U.S.A. (**Orders:** <http://www.oup.com>). \$95.00, 579 pp., illustrations, maps, 8 1/2" × 11".

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